GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:348
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2001
HIRING OF EXPERTS/CONSULTANTS BY ONGC
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): whether the consultants/experts are also hired in the survey of exploration work undertaken by ONGC;

(b): if so, the details of experts/consultants hired by ONGC and the expenditure incurred thereon during each of the last three years;

(c): the reasons for hiring such consultants/experts from foreign countries, when experts are available within the country; and

(d): the expenditure incurred by the Government on providing training to ONGC engineers etc. in foreign countries during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAM NAIK)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 348 for answer on 13.12.2001 regarding Hiring of Experts/Consultants by ONGC

(a) to (c): Consultants/experts are hired for survey and exploration work by Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) from time to time in specific technological areas. Further, such consultancy is also to avail of expertise in the field of Exploration and Production. The details of experts/consultants hired by ONGC for exploration related work during the last three years are given below:-

Sl.No.	YEAR	NAME OF CONSULTANT	EXPENDITURE INCURRED (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	1998-1999	Shri CM Ramdev, Ex-General Manager, ONGC	1.40
2.	1998-1999	Shri PL Zutshi, Ex-General Manager, ONGC	0.84
3.	1998-2000	Shri V. Raiverman, Ex-General Manager, ONGC & Shri Gurcharan Singh, Ex-General Manager	3.00
4.	1998-2001	Dr. DSN Raju, Ex-DGM(G), ONGC	3.50
5.	1998-2001	M/s HOLDITICH Reservoir Technologies, 5599 SAN FELIPE, SUITE 1706, HOUSTON, USA	63.36

6.1999-2000 Dr. D.G. Stone of Stone and Associates 6.56

7.2000-2001 Dr. D.G. Stone of M/s Stone & associates in association with M/s G X Technologies (includes travel expenses of associated ONGC executives) 8.62

Total 87.28

(d): Government does not incur any expenditure for training to ONGC`s engineers.However, the expenditure incurred by ONGC for providing training in foreign countries to its engineers during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Expenditure incurred (Rs. in crores)
1998-1999	Rs. 2.17
1999-2000	Rs. 4.71
2000-2001	Rs. 7.48
Total	Rs.14.36

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1	1998-2000	Shri V. Raiverman, Ex-General Manager, ONGC and Shri Gurcharan Singh, Ex-General Manager	Rs.3,00,000/-
2	1998-1999	Shri CM Ramdev, Ex-General Manager, ONGC	Rs.1,40,096/-
3	1997-1998	Shri PL Zutshi, Ex-General Manager, ONGC	Rs.64,000/-
4	1998-1999	Shri PL Zutshi, Ex-General Manager, ONGC	Rs.84,000/-
5	1998-2001	Dr. DSN Raju, Ex-DGM (G), ONGC	Rs.3,50,000/-
6	2000-2001	Dr. D.G. Stone of M/S Stone and associates in Association with M/S G X Technologies	Rs.8,62,000/-
7	1999-2000	Dr. D.G. Stone of Stone and Associates	Rs. 6,56,000/-
8	1998-2001	M/s HOLDITICH Reservoir Technologies, 5599 SAN FELIPE, SUITE 1706,	Rs 63,36,616/-

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